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Officials to Sign Partnering Agreement for Point Marion Borough Waterline Replacement Project

PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA – The Borough of Point Marion and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will hold a Project Cooperation Agreement Signing Ceremony for the Point Marion Borough Water Line Replacement Project on Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 p.m. The ceremony will take place at the Municipal Building located at 426 Morgantown Street in Point Marion, Pennsylvania 15474.

This water system improvement project consists of the replacement of old, leaky water lines and fire hydrants and the addition of new water lines and fire hydrants to improve water distribution quality and quantity. In recent years Point Marion Borough has experienced several extended periods of high turbidity in the distribution system. This turbidity is attributed to tuberculation of aged water lines as well as the lack of “blow off” locations in some areas of the distribution system. The Borough has also experienced a growing number of line breaks. The Borough’s water personnel estimate there have been about 80 breaks in the distribution system over the last five years.

The Corps of Engineers will support the design and construction of approximately 24,900 linear feet of 2-inch to 12-inch water distribution lines to serve the residents of Point Marion Borough, Fayette County, Pennsylvania. These lines will be located along portions of Walnut Street, Broadway Street, Penn Street, Water Street, Highland Avenue, The Boulevard, Wright Street, Union Street, Keiser Avenue, Cyrus Street, Fayette Avenue, Freeling Street, Main Street, Fourth Avenue, Railroad Street, Park Avenue, Fifth Avenue, Jeanette Street, McKinley Avenue, Euclid Avenue, Stewartstown Road, and various unnamed alleys to replace aged lines and add new lines to improve distribution. These improvements will help over 535 customers receive clean and safe water from the city water lines.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is providing \$500,000 of Section 313 funding to support the design and construction of this project. The South Central Pennsylvania Environmental Improvement Program, often referred to as Section 313 Program, covers an 18 county area in South Central Pennsylvania providing for design and construction oversight to communities for projects involving wastewater treatment and related facilities, water supply, storage treatment and distribution facilities and surface resource protection and development.